

# **Monthly Agenda – January 2013**

There will be a meeting of the community council at 7pm Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January in the Burgh chambers of St Andrews Town Hall. There will be a short break at about 8pm during which the 200 Club draw will be made. The meeting is audio-recorded to assist the secretary in producing the minutes.

## **1. Apologies**

## **2. Minutes of December 2012**

Read for accuracy in matters of substance – harangue the secretary for minor errors (spelling etc) outwith the meeting.

## **3. Presentations**

## **4. Fife Councillors**

### **4.1. Frances Melville**

### **4.2. Brian Thomson**

### **4.3. Keith McCartney**

### **4.4. Dorothea Morrison**

## **5. Planning Committee**

### **5.1. Planning Committee Reports**

Reports to be submitted to members by email and any matters arising for full Council will be presented by Planning Convenor.

## **6. Matters Arising from Previous Meetings**

### **6.1. Martyrs Monument Update**

### **6.2. Craigtoun Update**

### **6.3. Botanic Gardens Update**

### **6.4. Housing Commission update**

### **6.5. Sherriff Court Closure Threat Update**

### **6.6. Reports from Representatives**

### **6.7. Any Other Matters Arising**

## **7. From Committees**

### **7.1. Recreation**

### **7.2. General Purposes**

### **7.3. 200 Club**

### **7.4. Health, Education & Welfare Committee**

## **8. New Business**

### **8.1. Call for Nominations from Community Councils for My Place Awards 2013**

Appendix B - For information

## 8.2. Onshore Wind Review Consultation

See Appendix C – For information

## 9. Reports from Office Bearers

### 9.1. Chair

### 9.2. Treasurer

Treasurer's Report sent out by email

### 9.3. Secretary

#### 9.3.1. Correspondence – Appendix A.

## 10. Any Other Competent Business

*Please notify Chair of AOCB items before the start of the meeting or at the break. Hint: Given that the end of the meeting is often taken in something of a rush, unless items are urgent it might be better to submit them for next meeting's New Business.*

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### Appendix A Correspondence

17/12/12	Bill Lindsay Fife Council	Email re Fife Development Plan Update
19/12/12	William Welsh Fife Council	Email re Call for Nominations from Community Councils for My Place Awards 2013
20/12/12	Lynda Birrell Fife Council	Email re Onshore Wind Review Consultation
24/12/12	Stuart Horne	Email re St Andrews Logo and image rights

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### Appendix B Call for Nominations from Community Councils for My Place Awards 2013

Did you know that Community Councils can nominate projects for the Scottish Civic Trust My Place Awards? Entry is free and there is still plenty of time as the deadline for the 2013 Awards is 31 January 2013. Full details of the award can be found at [www.myplaceawards.org.uk](http://www.myplaceawards.org.uk)

In 2013 a Scottish Civic Trust My Place Award will recognise a building, landscape or public realm project that has had a positive impact in a local neighbourhood and has delivered tangible benefits to that community. Also, a Scottish Civic Trust My Place Civic Champion Award will be presented to a person who has made an outstanding contribution to the promotion and protection of their local heritage. Any community based group can nominate a project or person. These can include: local civic trusts affiliated to the Scottish Civic Trust, community councils, history societies, housing associations, arts groups, development trusts and community action groups. Entries must be recently completed projects. These can be new build, restoration, conservation, redevelopment, landscape or public realm projects. Entries for both categories will be published online and the winning and commended entries will be presented at a special ceremony at The Lighthouse in March 2013.

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### Appendix C : ONSHORE WIND REVIEW CONSULTATION

I am writing to you to update you on the progress with the onshore wind energy review for Fife. I have received many letters from Community Councils regarding land based wind turbines and I am aware of the concern that exists within many communities about where it is appropriate to locate such structures. I gave a commitment to review the current policies earlier this year and to engage with communities as part of that review.

Fife Council will consult members of the public as part of the review of its onshore wind energy spatial strategy, policies and guidance. As was agreed at Planning Committees on 23 August 2012 and 15 November 2012 this will be carried out as part of the Main Issues Report process for the emerging Local Development Plan. Public consultation will begin on 14 January 2013 and will run for 8 weeks to 10 March 2013. Public drop in events will be held in the seven Area Committee areas within this period. Details of these will follow shortly.

Proposed updates to the existing Wind Energy Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG) are summarised in the Main Issues Report and are further detailed in the supporting Renewables and Energy technical paper. Proposed changes to Fife's onshore wind spatial strategy are outlined in a report produced by consultant's Ironside Farrar titled "Onshore Wind Energy Strategy for Fife-

Cumulative Impact Assessment” and this will also go out for consultation alongside the Main Issues Report.

This gives you the opportunity to make your views known on the proposed changes before the updates to the Council’s current guidance are implemented later in 2013.

Further details are available on FifeDirect at: [www.fifedirect.org.uk/developmentplan](http://www.fifedirect.org.uk/developmentplan) and [www.fifedirect.org.uk/windenergy](http://www.fifedirect.org.uk/windenergy). I hope you will take the opportunity to be involved in the consultation and make your views known.